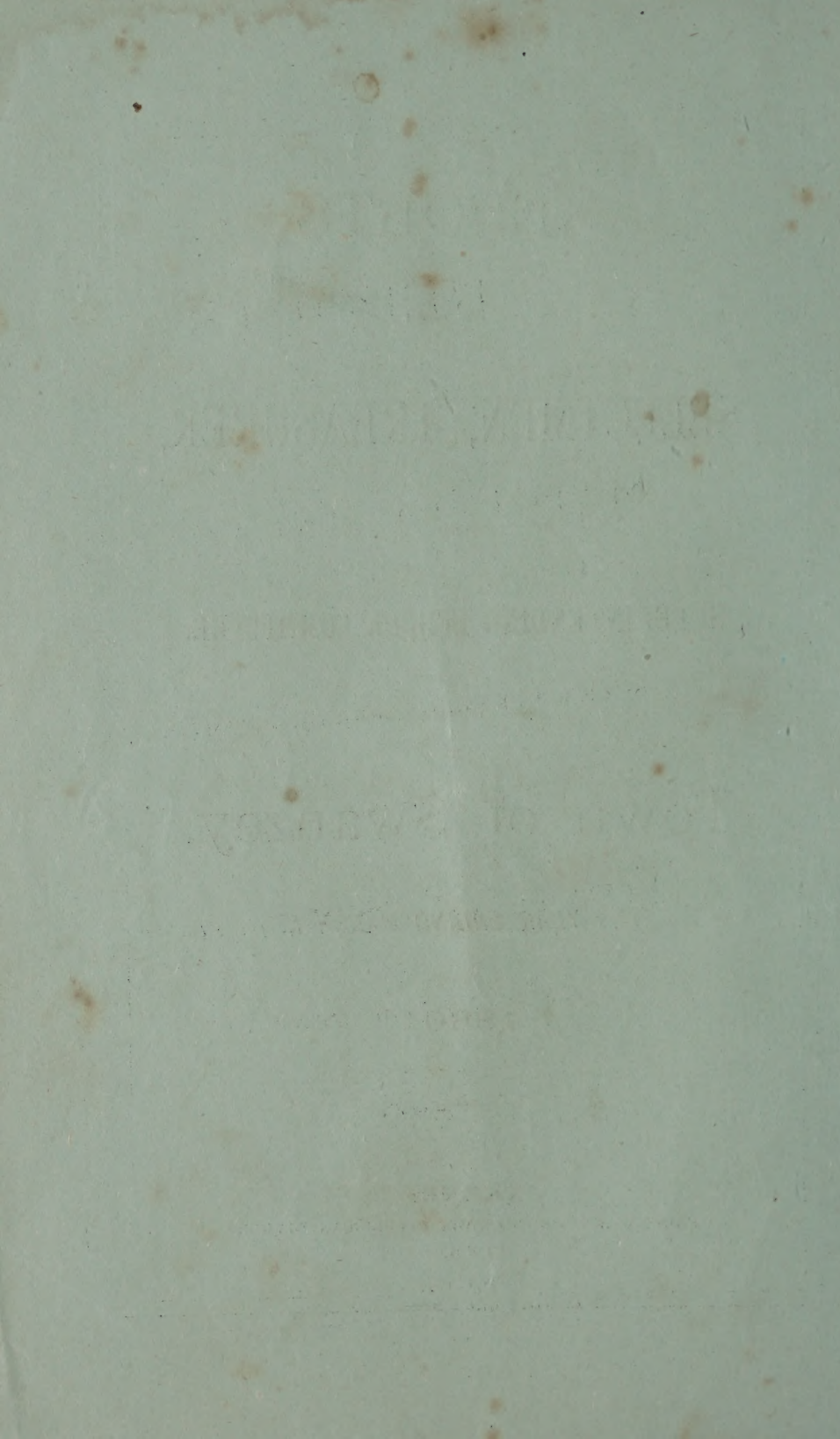


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SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

We respectfully submit the following report of the condition of the schools of Swanzey, for the year ending March 9, 1880, in obedience to the following requirement of the General Laws of New Hampshire:

“The school committee shall make to the town at its annual meeting, a report stating the number of weeks the public schools have been kept in each district, in summer and winter, and what portion by male and what by female teachers; the whole number of scholars that have attended each school and the number attending to each study; and the whole number of scholars of the town not less than five years of age, who have attended the district schools not less than two weeks during the year; the number of children of each sex reported by the selectmen or assessors, and the number of children of each sex between the ages of five and fifteen that have

not attended school, and the number of persons in each district between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one who cannot read and write, with such suggestions relative to the schools as they may think useful."

A condensed answer to the greater part of these items may be found in the tables appended to this report, to which we ask the special attention of all our citizens.

The sum raised by taxation the past year for the support of schools was \$2000.00, which is \$645.50 more than the amount required by law. To this add the Literary Fund, \$142.82, and we have 2142.82 for school purposes, which amount was divided among the several districts as in previous years.

Wishing to encourage punctuality and promptness in our children and youth we give the "roll of honor," or the names of all those scholars who have been neither absent from, nor tardy at school during the several terms of the year—realizing, at the same time, that others who failed to come quite up to this standard may be equally praiseworthy.

SPECIAL REPORTS.

DISTRICT No. 1. Both terms of this school were taught by Miss FLORENCE A. CORLISS, the faithful and efficient teacher of the previous year. It was a pleasant, harmonious, and in every respect, successful school.

ROLL OF HONOR :—FIRST TERM, Julia M. Avery, Elizabeth R. Avery, Enimie P. Gilmore, Ida S. Gilmore, Minnie B. Wright. SECOND TERM, Alfred E. Lawrence, Minnie B. Wright.

DIST. No. 2. The report of the schools in this district for last year is applicable also to this year. The same teachers were wisely employed, and like success again attended their labors. Miss HARDY, the teacher of the united schools in the summer and the Primary department in the fall, took a commendable pride in showing the progress of a class of beginners in reading, by teaching them words before they had learned their letters.

The Grammar department, taught by Miss LYMAN, was a model school. Good order, system in teaching and close attention to study were its characteristics. Where these are found good results will always follow. We regret that these schools could not have continued longer.

ROLL OF HONOR:—Primary department. **FIRST TERM**, Nellie M. Alexander, Florence E. Applin, Jennie Burke, Charlotte M. Lane, Emma Lyman, Lizzie Taft, Frank W. Burnham, Perley Hale, Frank Lincoln, Elmer C. Read, Frank H. Taft, Lee Taft. **SECOND TERM**, Florence E. Applin, Annie Burke, Nellie Burke, Flora E. Handy, Charlotte M. Lane, Mildred E. Lane, Chloe Rice, Edna Taft, Alvira Taft, Seth Aldrich, Frank W. Burnham, Freddie E. Lane, Leonard Lane, Lee Taft. Grammar department. Lizzie A. Taft, Emma J. Lyman, Frank H. Taft, Hubbard M. Williams.

DIST. No. 3. The Summer term was taught by Miss **ELSIE H. WILLIAMS**, and the Fall term by Miss **CARRIE E. WHITCOMB** of Keene. Both were very fair schools and a good degree of progress was made in the various branches of study taught. A few of the scholars were not disposed to yield that perfect obedience to the rules of the teacher, without which no school can be in the highest degree prosperous. Miss **WHITCOMB** had never taught before, but we think she possesses the qualifications for a successful teacher.

ROLL OF HONOR:—**FIRST TERM**, Mary L. Knight, Gracie L. Gleason, Mary J. Whitcomb, Willis J. Fitch, Henry J. Knight, Forrest O. Whitcomb, Frank A. Whitcomb. **SECOND TERM**, Clark Streeter, Frank Whitcomb, Forrest O. Whitcomb, Lucy Whitcomb, Josie Whitcomb.

DIST. No. 4.—The two terms of this school were taught respectively by Miss **CORA E. READ** and Miss **MARY A. DOWNING**, the former a beginner in teaching and the latter having taught but one term. The school appeared well whenever visited by the committee, and we think that good improvement was made in the various studies. We would advise a little more energy and enthusiasm on the part of the teachers. This perhaps would have shown itself among a larger number of pupils. We are sorry to report no member of this school in the roll of honor.

Parents, perhaps, are somewhat responsible for this.

DIST. No. 5. The Summer term was taught by Miss VIENNA D. MACK, an experienced teacher and well qualified for her vocation. Her well directed efforts were seconded by her scholars, and the result was a school of the highest order, such an one as it is a pleasure to visit. A noticeable feature of the school was the clear and distinct tones in which the lessons were recited, so different from the quite too common suppressed and inarticulate school-room utterances.

The Winter term was taught by Miss IDA F. HUBBARD—14 weeks. She had good success and the reputation of the school was very well maintained. The percentage of attendance in this school was greater than in any other school in town, being .99 1-3 in summer and .98 2-3 in winter—an average of .99 for the year. The district was unfortunate in having their school-house burned during the night of Nov. 7th. The school was continued without interruption at the dwelling house of Mr. Gay, and arrangements are being made for building another house.

ROLL OF HONOR:—FIRST TERM, Ellen R. Moore, Gertrude M. Gary, Lizzie J. Hovey, Edith M. Moore, FLORENCE L. DOWNING, Daisy S. Whitcomb, Otie L. Whitcomb. SECOND TERM, Ellen R. Moore, Gertrude L. Gary, Lizzie J. Hovey, John M. Hovey, Marshall W. Downing, Otie S. Whitcomb.

DIST. No. 6. There were two terms, in all seventeen weeks, which were taught by Miss JENNIE A. FAULKNER with her usual success. In the summer the school was composed mostly of young scholars, only one being above fifteen years of age. In the winter there was a class of older ones in attendance, some of whom ranked well in their studies and beyond what we usually find in the Common School. The teacher was faithful and earnest in her work. This was evident at the final examination, and was seen in the general appearance of the school.

Rapid improvement was made during the two short terms; and except for sickness among the pupils, the attendance would have been almost unbroken.

ROLL OF HONOR :—FIRST TERM, Philip C. Angier, Flora M. Ball, Elsie E. Crouch, Georgie L. Crouch, Charlie A. Crouch, Anna F. Dickinson, Lora E. Dickinson, Esther Dickinson, Nathaniel J. Dickinson, Earl G. B. Hill. SECOND TERM, Georgie L. Crouch, Lora E. Dickinson, Nathaniel J. Dickinson, Anna F. Dickinson.

DIST. No. 7. The prosperity attending this school for the year has been all that could be expected, considering the different classes and kinds of scholars the teachers have had to deal with.

Miss KATE E. LOMBARD, who taught the school last year was employed for the summer, and met with her accustomed success. The report of her school at that time, and of herself as teacher, would apply for this term; We were much pleased with the appearance of her classes at the examination, who did well for scholars of their ages.

Miss GRACIE E. BROOKS taught the Second term which commenced September 1st and continued ten weeks. This was her third school; and she was a successful teacher, loved and respected by her pupils and by all those who knew her well. For these school children she performed her last work, faithful to every duty, suffering from disease of which she died, only in a few weeks after the close of her school. We shall miss her from the list of our good teachers.

Miss ADA M. REED taught the Third term. The scholars under her thorough instruction had good opportunities for improvement, and much was learned by those who availed themselves of these advantages. The attendance was somewhat broken on account of some not being particular about keeping their children at school. Except for this the school would have proved a more interesting one, not only to the teacher but to scholars.

ROLL OF HONOR:—FIRST TERM, John H. Bolles, Henry H. Bolles, Eddie Bowen, Oscar Bowen, Nellie Bowen, George Jackson, Nettie Kendall, Maggie Magner, Mary L. Read. **SECOND TERM,** Henry H. Bolles, John H. Bolles, George E. Holbrook, Grace E. Kendall, Mary L. Read, Elton R. Read. **THIRD TERM,** John H. Bolles, George Jackson, Grace Kendall, Willie Wilson.

DIST. No. 8. The First term was taught by Mrs. LENA VOSE MARTIN, the Second term by Miss IDA C. WITHERELL. Both teachers were successful in the management of the school which was orderly and appeared well at our visits. The examinations showed general improvement and a good degree of thoroughness. Visitors, particularly the parents, who were present on these occasions, expressed themselves pleased each term with the appearance and success of their school.

This district has at present a good class of well-behaved scholars, and they deserve a better school-house than they now have. The inhabitants here are disposed to do better by these children, but they are not altogether agreed and decided upon what is best.

ROLL OF HONOR:—FIRST TERM, Harry A. Cummings. **SECOND TERM,** Harry A. Cummings, Helen E. Holbrook.

DIST. No. 9. UNION DISTRICT. Miss FANNIE M. GOULD was employed for the year, and gave good satisfaction. The parents and inhabitants of this district show an interest in school which is commendable. They visit it, and in this way do much to encourage and aid the teacher.

The effects of good home-influence over scholars were here shown in their punctuality at school and the high percentage of daily attendance. Not an instance of tardiness occurred during the three terms according to the Register. Much credit for this must also be due to the teacher, whose zeal and interest for the improvement of

her pupils, and this punctuality, are best shown in her success and the work accomplished.

The scholars in this district do much to make school interesting, and some of them are well advanced. Six were over fifteen, and three over seventeen years of age; yet none of these were too old to attend school, or to learn.

The Third term was unexpectedly short on account of not obtaining all the school money due from the town of Richmond, to which a part of this district belongs.

The closing exercises of each term were interesting, and a good number of visitors were present.

ROLL OF HONOR:—**FIRST TERM**, Mary D. Ballou, Nora A. Ballou, Willie F. Ballou, Frank J. Ballou, Ola I. Fifield, Frank L. Fifield, Addie A. Harris, Charles C. Harris, Charles O. Hewes, Alice A. Stanley, Addie I. Stanley, Hattie E. Strickland, Arthur H. Strickland, Mary E. Whitcomb, Esther M. Williams, Addie F. Whitcomb, Cora A. Whitcomb, Minnie B. Whitcomb, John F. Whitcomb. **SECOND TERM**, Nora A. Ballou, Willie F. Ballou, Ola I. Fifield, Frank L. Fifield, Etta C. Howes, Charles O. Hewes, Addie I. Stanley, Hattie E. Strickland, Wilbur J. Twitchell, Mary E. Williams, Esther M. Williams, Addie F. Whitcomb, Cora A. Whitcomb, Minnie B. Whitcomb, Bennie H. Williams, John F. Williams. **THIRD TERM**, Willie F. Ballou, Frank J. Ballou, Ola I. Fifield, Frank L. Fifield, Etta C. Howes, Willie A. Howes, Charles C. Harris, Charles O. Hewes, Addie I. Stanley, Hattie E. Strickland, Marvin W. Strickland, Lucy M. Twitchell, Wilbur J. Twitchell, Mary E. Williams, Esther M. Williams, John F. Williams.

DIST. NO. 10. Miss MARY A. DOWNING taught the First term of ten weeks (it being her first attempt at teaching) to the general satisfaction of all concerned. She secured the good will of the pupils, the confidence of the parents, and succeeded in leading her little scholars along very

pleasantly, step by step, to a successful termination. Thinking that a more experienced teacher would be needed to manage the larger scholars who might attend in the fall, she declined the request to teach again, and Miss MARY E. WILDER, an accomplished teacher was employed. She taught two weeks, when having a more advantageous situation offered her she was permitted to retire, and was succeeded by Miss MABEL BROWN, a graduate of Keene High School, a lady of good education, but who failed to keep that order which is essential to a good school. Duty compels us to say but little progress was made during the eight weeks she taught.

The Winter term of twelve weeks was managed by Miss JENNIE F. BALL, an independent, wide-awake and well qualified teacher. She kept a very good school; notwithstanding which, some of the larger scholars, becoming tired of restraint, or disinclined to study, left the school before the close of the term—a practice which has been too prevalent in past years.

ROLL OF HONOR:—FIRST TERM, L. Lowell Belding, Nellie M. Belding, Mary E. Cook, Grace E. Stone. SECOND TERM, L. Lowell Belding, Nellie M. Belding, Nellie A. Crouch, John M. Stone, Dwight S. Stone, THIRD TERM, Nellie M. Belding, Nellie A. Crouch, Solon H. Stone, John M. Stone, Dwight S. Stone.

DIST. No. 11.—Known as Union District. The Grammar School for the past year has had a different teacher for each term. So many changes are rarely advisable, but these were deemed necessary for the good of the school. We believe no teacher should undertake a school like this who has not had proper experience, and who has not the capacity for governing as well as teaching. Confidence in one's self on account of having a supply of book-learning, does not always prove sufficient to ensure success.

The elements of the Common English branches have

received in this school due attention. In these as well as the elements of the higher branches the classes have made good advancement for the year. A large proportion of the scholars in attendance would rank well in any of our High Schools, and need an efficient teacher.

The First term was taught by Miss JENNIE S. CHASE who evidently entered the school with the impression that it was an easy one to govern, and that there was little to do but *teach*, for which part she was well qualified. Her difficulty was in maintaining the discipline that was needed. But she exercised the spirit of kindness and forbearance with her pupils and was faithful.

Mr. ROBERT ALEXANDER, a graduate of Brown University, taught the Second term. He had had but little experience in teaching, but he was worthy of success and more respect than was shown him, and probably would have given better satisfaction in many other schools. He trusted too much, at first, to the honor and honesty of his pupils until his confidence in some of them was betrayed, and his influence and control over them finally lost. Failing by means of moral suasion, corporal punishment was tried in a few cases, but the only fault in this was, it was applied too late. Notwithstanding these difficulties which were in a measure overcome by his untiring efforts to succeed, the school appeared well at its close, and there was improvement; but not such as would have been made by a better co-operation.

The teacher of the Third term was Mr. Willis E. Sibley who was well fitted for the place, and gave good satisfaction. He acquired at once the confidence of his pupils who recognized in him his ability for managing and teaching. And he had a firmness in his purpose to succeed, and a method and system which were his own, and which proved successful. Mr. Sibley found enough to do in this school. Former habits of disorder which had troubled in other terms had to be corrected; and being a *live* teacher

he applied himself well to the task, and with good results. Scholars will always learn in such a school.

ROLL OF HONOR:—FIRST TERM, Arthur F. Applin, Charles W. Heath, Bertie W. Handy, Hattie E. Fox, Lizzie Fitzgerald, Katie V. Lonergan, Ida M. Mason, Nellie M. Seaver, Lillie A. Seaver. SECOND TERM, May F. Aldrich, Nellie M. Seaver, Lillie A. Seaver. THIRD TERM, May F. Aldrich, Edward Bailey, Oliver Capron, Hattie E. Fox, Otie Rich, Nellie Seaver, Edna Whitcomb.

The Primary department has been in charge of Miss JULIA A. BLANDING who formerly taught this school for a series of terms with good success, and by her experience has earned a good reputation as teacher, which she well merits. Excellent order was secured chiefly through mild and pleasant means, and by inculcating the principles of good behavior and interesting these young minds in their lessons at school. The classes were well taught and were prompt in their recitations. We were gratified to see so much improvement, and considered it a model school.

ROLL OF HONOR:—FIRST TERM, Winfred Barrus, Myrtie Barrus, Annie L. Capron, Willis O. Eaton, Frank B. Holbrook, Fred H. Holbrook, Mabel A. Heath, Jessie E. Handy, Carrie E. Pelkey, Alfred L. Seaver, Eugene A. Seaver, Grace A. Seaver. SECOND TERM, Winfred Barrus, Ivo Bennett, Florence M. Carter, Annie M. Capron, Willie Eaton, Emma C. Eaton, Mabel L. Eaton, Frank B. Holbrook, Fred H. Holbrook, Harry E. Heath, Jessie E. Handy, Mabel A. Heath, Alfred L. Seaver, Eugene A. Seaver, Grace J. Seaver, George C. Wright, Blanche E. Whitcomb. THIRD TERM, Arthur Applin, Winnie Barrus, Willie Eaton, Freddie Eaton, Emma Eaton, Rose Jackson, Wallace Page, Fred C. Richardson, Alfred Seaver, Blanche E. Whitcomb.

LIST OF TEXT-BOOKS.

Adopted and now used in the Public Schools of Swanzev.

The New Testament; Worcester's, and Webster's Dictionary.

Readers—"The Franklin," 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th.

Spellers—"North American."

Writing Books—Payson, Dunton and Scribner's.

Arithmetics—Greenleaf's New Practical, New Intellectual and Primary.

Geographies—Harper's School Geography and Introductory.

Grammars—Quackenbos' English and Primary.

Histories—Quackenbos' and Goodrich's.

Algebras—Greenleaf's and Davies'.

Physiology—Steele's and Hutchinson's.

Philosophy—Steele's.

Book-Keeping—Mayhew's.

GENERAL REMARKS.

We are required, as before stated, to report to the town at its annual meeting, certain particulars in relation to our different schools, which have been embodied in the Tables annexed, and also to make such suggestions concerning them as may be thought needful.

We are pleased to report so many good schools, and trust we have not been too particular in our criticisms, or any way unjust in our discriminations. It is not to be expected that all these schools in charge of these different teachers, in the several districts, have had the same degree of prosperity. Where we have good teachers, we expect to find good schools, and are not generally disappointed. There may be discordant elements in a district, and things may happen at school to disturb its general harmony, which could not well be avoided, yet the right teacher will usually escape these difficulties, or meet them in a proper manner as they occur.

Teachers should feel that they are generally considered responsible for the success of their school. They are responsible the same as the mechanic or artisan, for the perfection of his work; and in either case, success will depend much upon the skill used in managing and mould-

ing the material that is employed. Where the material is poor the work will not appear perfect in all its parts, even under the most skillful hand of experience; and no teacher can have a model school, composed largely of badly disposed scholars, and who, perhaps, are not always under good influences and moral training at home.

Some of our schools have not been what they might have been, from a lack of co-operation with the teachers. Those parents who rarely or never visit school, are most apt to accept and encourage the complaints of their children in regard to it; and early feelings of prejudice are thus begun and formed against a teacher, who, if young and inexperienced, may seriously affect his usefulness. Parents should visit school and see for themselves what it is, and the methods of discipline and instruction that are used, and accept less which they hear from others outside.

The general attendance of scholars will compare well with that of other years, yet it is not what it should be, making due allowance for all the sickness which has in any way affected it. We find a striking difference in districts in regard to this, some of them usually improving the schooling which they have, much better than others. The school registers exhibit this difference in a marked degree. The ruinous habit of keeping children from school, wherever it exists, implies a lack of school interest and appreciation of the advantages of education, or disregard for the welfare of the children, for whose future benefit our schools were intended and established by provisions of the laws of the State.

Parents can claim their children as their own, and may think they now have all the education they will ever need. They may keep them from school because their help is needed at home, or for the little they can earn in the shop or mill, or upon the farm, or they may let them stroll and run in the streets, as some of them do; but

they have no moral or legal right to deprive them of the schooling which is *theirs*, and should not be taken from them.

A better punctuality in attendance would improve the interest of our schools. Some districts have done well in respect to this, and have had but few instances of tardiness in the year. Others, mostly on account of a few families, have had a much larger proportion. As worthy examples, No. 5 and No. 9 show records for the year which are clear from tardy marks. The principal fault is at home, and rests with the parent and guardian who could do much toward correcting this habit; and undoubtedly many of them would if they saw its injurious effects.

In conclusion we call upon all for their co-operation in support of our Common Schools. If we would increase their efficiency and make them what we most desire, more must be done for their improvement, and more interest should be manifested in them. Among other things requisite it is important, in this work of reform, that suitable ones should be chosen to select and hire our teachers and manage the affairs of the districts. They should be qualified to judge correctly of the merits of a teacher and should have some public interest in schools.

A thorough supervision of our schools is necessary; and it is better to reject poor and inefficient teachers than to recommend them for any of our schools. It should also be understood that we cannot supply for any defect we may find in a teacher after the beginning of a school any more than we can govern or teach for them, although we may advise and assist in their management.

These principles, if rightly understood and more fully observed, would, we believe, by a more united sentiment, materially benefit our schools.

GEORGE I. CUTLER,	}	Superintending
ALONZO A. WARE,		School Committee.

TABLE I.

District.	Term.	Length in Weeks.	Wages and board per month.	No. of Pupils.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Daily Attendance.	Percentage of Attendance.	No. over 15 years.	Between 5 and 15.	No. of times tardy.	Read'g & Spell'g.	Arithmetic.	Grammar.	Geography.	Pennmanship.	Other Studies	S. S. Visits.	P. C. Visits.	Visits by Others.	Not at'ng School.
I.	1	8	\$30.00	15	6	9	13.51	.98	0	14	11	15	8	1	4	4	0	0	0	30	
	2	8	30.00	17	7	10	16.13	.99	0	16	15	17	11	1	4	11	0	0	2	0	31
II.	1	10	30.00	44	19	25	39.90	.95	3	40	8	44	35	9	22	32	2	2	3	0	31
	2	11	26.00	25	10	15	24.50	.99	0	25	3	25	17	10	10	15	0	0	4	4	27
III.	1*	11	34.00	19	8	11	17.50	.95	8	11	5	19	19	11	8	15	3	3	4	3	43
	2	10	20.00	13	8	5	12.81	.98	1	12	2	13	11	1	7	9	0	0	3	1	15
IV.	1	11	18.00	15	10	5	14.33	.98	2	15	3	15	15	2	7	11	0	0	3	0	20
	2	9	17.00	6	3	3	5.00	.89	0	6	8	6	6	1	2	6	0	0	3	3	20
V.	1	13	22.00	14	8	6	10.22	.90	1	13	18	14	12	2	2	9	1	3	3	37	
	2	10	20.00	9	2	7	8.94	.99	0	8	0	9	8	3	4	9	0	0	3	5	40
VI.	1	14	24.00	13	6	7	12.41	.99	3	10	0	13	12	7	6	13	1	3	4	38	
	2	8	24.00	17	10	7	16.09	.98	0	15	3	17	11	0	6	6	0	1	1	1	24
VII.	1	9	24.00	18	12	6	15.78	.94	6	12	2	18	10	3	7	3	3	2	1	1	12
	2	9	24.00	33	18	15	27.30	.92	0	30	9	33	22	3	12	13	0	3	0	29	
VIII.	1	10	24.00	32	20	12	29.30	.93	0	29	9	32	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	8	
	2	9	24.00	28	17	11	23.50	.93	3	25	23	28	18	10	12	15	4	2	0	6	10
IX.	1	8	19.00	14	6	8	13.08	.91	0	14	0	14	9	0	5	5	0	2	1	1	32
	2	13	24.00	20	10	10	16.72	.89	4	16	5	20	16	2	7	7	2	3	1	27	
X.	1	9	25.00	28	13	15	27.50	.98	3	24	0	28	21	3	12	19	2	3	0	39	
	2	10	29.00	33	18	15	31.70	.98	6	26	0	33	24	4	15	18	5	3	0	41	1
XI.	3	3.6	29.00	20	11	9	19.10	.96	0	20	0	20	19	2	13	13	1	3	1	36	16
	1	10	20.00	26	18	8	22.32	.93	1	22	29	26	14	2	6	8	0	4	1	40	2
XII.	2	10	20.00	27	17	10	22.72	.92	3	23	6	27	15	2	8	11	3	4	0	24	
	3	12	32.00	22	16	6	20.36	.93	4	18	8	22	19	4	8	14	6	4	2	35	4
XIII.	1*	8	32.00	37	22	15	32.50	.89	7	30	27	36	34	10	33	23	6	3	2	37	
	2*	10	40.00	45	29	16	41.62	.95	2	43	33	45	45	23	41	16	8	6	1	42	
XIV.	3*	12	45.00	43	29	14	38.30	.94	8	35	11	43	41	20	28	0	12	5	2	45	
	1†	8	30.00	50	26	24	47.00	.95	0	44	38	50	22	0	13	8	0	3	2	19	
XV.	2†	10	32.00	51	27	24	46.00	.93	0	46	28	51	31	0	12	21	0	3	2	28	
	3†	12	32.00	44	26	18	36.00	.90	0	43	25	44	31	0	20	33	0	3	2	32	

*Grammar School.

†Primary School.

TABLE II.

Dists.	Prudential Com.	SUMMER AND FALL SCHOOLS.		WINTER SCHOOLS.	
		Teachers.	Residences.	Teachers	Residences.
No. 1.	C. Hemmingway.	Miss Florence A. Corliss,	Swanzey.	Miss Florence A. Corliss,	Swanzey.
No. 2.	{ L. Lyman, W. F. Read, Mrs. D. C. Read.	Miss Clara E. Hardy,	Marlborough.	Miss Hattie C. Lyman, Miss Clara E. Hardy,	Winchester, Marlborough.
No. 3.	John H. Streeter.	Miss Elsie H. Williams,	Keene.	Miss Carrie E. Whitcomb,	Keene.
No. 4.	Mrs. M. M. Blake.	Miss Clara E. Read,	Keene.	Miss Mary A. Downing,	Swanzey.
No. 5.	Calvin E. Hills.	Miss Vienna D. Mack,	Gilsum.	Miss Ida F. Hubbard,	Chesterfield.
No. 6.	O. F. Oakman.	Miss Jennie A. Faulkner,	Westport.	Miss Jennie A. Faulkner,	Westport.
No. 7.	Geo. W. Brooks.	{ Miss Kate E. Lombard, Miss Grace E. Brooks,	Swanzey.	Miss Ada M. Reed,	Westport.
No. 8.	Marcus Bullard.	Mrs. Lena V. Martin,	Westport	Miss Ida C. Witherell,	Warwick, Ms.
No. 9.	L. N. Hewes.	Miss Fannie M. Gould,	Richmond.	Miss Fannie M. Gould,	West Swanzey.
No. 10.	M. C. Stone.	{ Miss Mary A. Downing, Miss Mabel L. Brown,	Swanzey.	Miss Jennie F. Ball,	Walpole
No. 11.	Geo. O. Capron.	{ Miss Jennie S. Chase, Miss Julia A. Blanding, Robert Alexander,	Keene. Mont Vernon. West Swanzey. Unity.	Mr. W. E. Sibley, Miss Julia A. Blanding,	New Salem, Ms. West Swanzey.

TABLE III.

DISTRICTS.	Number of Scholars.	Av. Attend. for the year.	Amount to each District.	Am't to each Scholar.
No. 1.	15	13 75	\$116 83	\$7 79
No. 2.	49	40 95	270 22	5 51
No. 3.	16	13 57	109 18	6 82
No. 4.	13	7 61	116 29	8 95
No. 5.	13	10 68	151 03	11 62
No. 6.	21	15 94	100 37	4 78
No. 7.	40	26 70	174 42	4 36
No. 8.	21	14 90	123 02	5 86
No. 9.	33	28 81	144 26	4 37
No. 10.	33	21 80	210 14	6 37
No. 11.	115	80 42	627 06	5 45
	369	275 13	\$2142 82	\$5 81

SELECTMEN AND TREASURER'S REPORT.

We, the undersigned, Selectmen and Treasurer of the town of Swanzey, submit the following financial report for the year ending March 1, 1880:

Appropriations at the annual meeting in March, 1879:

Support of schools,	\$2,000 00
Support of poor,	500 00
Support of bridges,	600 00
Interest on town debt,	800 00
Town charges,	1,000 00
Repair of highways (paid in labor),	2,000 00

APRIL INVOICE, 1879.

Resident real-estate,	418,027 00
Non-resident real estate,	78,924 00
Mills and machinery,	43,105 00
Stock in trade,	30,828 00
Money at interest, including bonds,	42,924 00
Deposits in savings banks out of the State,	10,060 00
Stock in banks,	5,000 00
442 polls,	44,200 00
337 horses,	17,054 00
908 cattle,	21,818 00
552 sheep,	1,648 00
36 carriages,	2,207 00
14 hogs,	88 00
Total valuation,	\$715,883 00
Rate per cent.,	1.125

Tax resulting,	\$8,053 58
Tax on 72 dogs,	76 00
Non-resident highway tax,	279 09
Committed to collector on town account,	\$8,408 67
School-house taxes assessed as follows :	
District No. 2,	\$ 514 65
“ “ 11,	1,101 34
Committed to collector on acct. of school-house taxes,	\$1,615 99
Reported in collector's hands March 1, 1879, Dis. No. 2,	18 27
“ “ 7,	91
“ “ 11,	21 32
	\$1,656 49
Paid district No. 2,	500 00
“ “ “ 11,	948 13
School-house taxes abated,	1 55
In collector's hands for No. 2,	32 92
“ “ “ No. 7,	76
“ “ “ No. 11,	173 13
	\$1,656 49

RECEIPTS FOR 1879.

Cash remaining in the Treasury, March 1, 1879,	\$ 616 90
Cash reported in collector's hands for 1878,	1,089 75
Interest on taxes from collector for 1878,	43 01
Received from the State, Savings Bank tax for 1879,	1,801 37
“ “ “ Railroad tax for 1879,	62 11
“ “ “ Literary fund for 1879,	133 94
“ “ County for support of paupers,	284 08
“ “ H. W. Capron, license fee,	10 00
“ “ James Merrill, taxes and expenses	
for Lyman Leach,	18 36
“ “ S. B. Partridge, unexpended high-	
way tax,	4 52
	\$4,064 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Alonzo A. Ware, Selectman for 1878,	\$112 00
Henry Eames, " "	104 25
Silas B. Partridge, " "	75 00
George I. Cutler, Clerk "	43 46
George I. Cutler, Superintending School Com. for 1878,	50 00
Edmund Stone, Collector for 1878,	90 00
Alonzo A. Ware Treasurer for 1878,	25 00
B. C. Snow, Sexton for 1879,	20 00
George Whitecomb, Sexton for 1879,	45 00
Joseph O. Gary, Supervisor for 1879,	5 00
Geo. E. Whitecomb, " "	7 00
Benjamin Read, " "	6 00
	\$582 71

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

H. Russell, support of Abbie O. Russell,	\$88 25
G. B. Twitchell, medical attendance for A. Bryant,	3 00
G. I. Cutler, " " "	13 12
Marsh & Brooks, aid furnished " "	50 15
" " " " Cumminings family,	47 57
E. J. Kidder, " " " "	13 00
G. I. Cutler, medical attendance for " "	10 52
Mrs. S. Weeks, aid for Richard Weeks,	5 00
Chase & Richards, clothing for J. F. Hunt's family,	6 00
J. Barrows, taking pauper to County farm,	2 50
Daniel Snow, aid for Mrs. L. Smith,	1 24
	\$240 35

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

C. H. Howard, bridge plank,	\$ 25 00
G. W. Perry, " "	9 74
L. A. Fuller, " "	8 32
Murphy & Alexander, bridge plank,	9 92
L. J. Crouch, bridge plank,	1 10
F. F. Lombard, " "	7 47
D. W. Williams, bridge plank and timber,	25 13
J. Marsh, " " "	27 36
W. H. Perry, " " and labor,	19 00
Wm. Read, railing by highway,	2 00
Lyman N. Howes, railing by highway,	5 00
Homer Stratton, snowing bridge,	5 00
James Wilson, snowing bridge and labor on highways,	5 00
J. C. Eames, breaking roads,	3 00
N. C. Stone, breaking roads,	2 78
Chas. E. Stephenson, breaking roads,	5 82
Marcus Bullard, breaking roads, and labor on highway,	3 15
James Wilson, labor on highway,	5 00
Geo. E. Page, " "	5 45
J. L. Starkey, " "	13 00
Josiah Parsons, " "	6 30
D. E. Wright, breaking roads, and work on bridges,	8 37
Joel Hammond, repairing W. Swanzey bridge,	1 75
Josiah Parsons, shingles for bridge,	2 86
H. H. Bolles, repairing bridge and widening road,	105 00
P. P. Carlton, labor on highway,	4 75
	\$317 27

NOTES AND INTEREST PAID.

George Cross, amount of note,	\$305 00
Harriet Alexander, amount of note,	525 00
Saphronia Hunt, " "	189 00
Alice M. Adams, " "	376 25
Nancy P. Stratton, " "	564 58
Julia A. Stratton, " "	686 24
Edmund Brown, " "	32 80
King Iron Bridge Co., " "	653 08

Roswell Whitcomb, interest,	\$135 42
Enoch Howes, “	80 00
Abigail L. Bailey, “	45 00
Emily R. Bailey, “	55 00
Martha J. Bailey, “	135 00
Candis Bullock, “	54 25
Sarah Willis, interest and endorsement,	235 00
	\$4,071 62

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Appropriated by the town,	\$2,000 00
Literary fund for 1878,	142 82
Appropriation for high school, 1878, (in part)	202 76
	\$2,345 58
 Amount paid the several districts,	 2,142 82
Paid G. I. Cutler, expenses high school,	202 76
	\$2,345 58

INCIDENTALS.

E. Stone, damage to sheep by dogs,	\$19 00
L. Page, " " "	4 00
W. C. Belding, school books for Cameron children,	45
B. Read, 2 check lists,	35
W. H. Spalter & Co. blank books, check lists and stationery,	5 15
Faulkner & Batchelder, retaining fee 1879,	6 00
D. Twitchell, public watering trough,	3 00
L. S. Lane, " " "	3 00
Wm. Merri m, " " "	3 00
C. Alexander, " " "	3 00
H. N. Irish, " " "	3 00
Wm. Read, " " "	3 00
S. Bishop, " " "	3 00
J. D. Colony & Sons, printing town reports, 1879,	32 50
Sentinel Printing Co., printing school notices,	85
G. W. Willis, expenses Baker vs. town of Swanzey case,	38 90
L. Wellington, costs and expenses Baker case,	120 29
E. Stone, taxes and expenses on Lyman Leach land,	8 28
Geo. Whitcomb, sawing wood for town house,	1 50
Josiah Parsons, repairing town house,	90
E. Howes, tolling bell,	2 20
G. I. Cutler, recording license,	50
G. I. Cutler, reporting births and deaths,	9 25
Paid witnesses in case Herrick vs. town of Swanzey,	13 41
E. F. Lane, land damage,	10 00
J. E. Norcross, overtax,	3 00
Paid bounties on 3 foxes and 16 hawks,	4 70
Abatement of taxes for 1878,	43 13
Non-resident highway taxes paid in labor,	113 03
Batchelder & Faulkner, legal services from 1876 to 1880,	77 50
	\$535.89

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Cash remaining in the treasury, March 1, 1879,	\$ 616 90
Cash reported in collector's hands for 1878,	1,089 75
Interest on taxes from collector, 1878,	43 01
Received from the State, Savings Bank tax for 1879,	1 801 37
“ “ “ Railroad tax for 1879,	62 11
“ “ “ Literary fund for 1879,	133 94
“ “ County for support of paupers,	284 08
“ “ H. W. Capron, license fee,	10 00
“ “ James Merrill, taxes and expenses for Lyman Leach,	18 36
“ “ S. B. Partridge, unexpended highway tax,	4 52
Total amount committed to collector on town account,	8,408 67
	\$12,472 71

DISBURSEMENTS.

Town officers,	\$ 582 71
State tax,	1,548 00
County tax,	1,278 78
Support of poor,	240 35
Support of schools,	2,345 58
Highways and bridges,	317 27
Notes and interest paid,	4,071 62
Incidentals,	535 89
Tax remaining in collector's hands,	846 55
Remaining in treasury, March 1, 1880,	705 96
	\$12,472 71

LIABILITIES.

Notes against the town :	
Roswell Whitcomb,	\$2,500 00
Sarah Willis,	2,600 00
Martha J. Bailey,	2,700 00
Candis Bullock,	900 00
Enoch Howes,	1,600 00
A. L. Bailey,	900 00
E. R. Bailey,	1,100 00
Interest on the above notes,	82 00
Estimated due town officers for 1879,	520 00
	\$12,902 00

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury,	\$705 96
Cash in collector's hands,	846 55
Due from the County,	30 75
	\$1,583 26

Total amount of liabilities,	\$12,902 00
Total amount of assets,	1,583 26

Leaving the indebtedness of the town at this date,	
March 1, 1880,	\$11,318 74

All the above notes are dated January 1, 1880, payable on demand with interest at the rate of two per cent. semi-annually.

ALONZO A. WARE,	}	Selectmen of Swanzy.
JOSIAH PARSONS,		
DANIEL SNOW,		

GEORGE E. WHITCOMB, Treasurer.



